

REMARKS

This amendment is being filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 and responsive to a teleconference of October 2, 2003 with Examiner, responsive to the Official Action issued on May 2, 2003 and the Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 116 filed August 4, 2003.

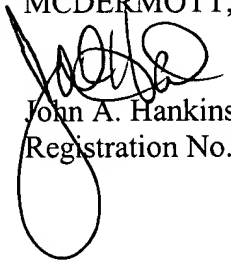
Claims 1-5 were previously cancelled, claims 6, 11 and 12 have been cancelled by this Amendment, leaving only allowed claims 7-10 and 13-14. Accordingly, since only allowed claims remain in the application, the application is in condition for allowance and should be passed to issue.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated to expedite the prosecution of the application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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